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BUILDING DEDICATION HIGHLIGHTS SPRING MEETINGS

Important Meetings Scheduled Next Week for N.C.A. Board, Council, and Six Committees

The Spring meeting of the Board of Directors, delayed this year so as to coincide with the activities incident to the ceremonies dedicating the Association's new Washington building at 1133 20th Street, N. W., is scheduled for Wednesday, June 7. The morning session will be held in the Main Conference Room of the new building. The Board luncheon will be held at the Shoreham Hotel after which the afternoon sessions will continue there in the Blue Room.

The Administrative Council will hold its meeting Tuesday, June 6,
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Wage-Hour Administration

Pursuant to Reorganization Plan No. 6 of 1950, the Secretary of Labor has directed that the Wage and Hour Administrator shall continue to administer the Fair Labor Standards Act and that all wage-hour rules, regulations, orders or interpretations presently issued shall remain in force.

Reorganization Plan No. 6 transferred to the Secretary of Labor all of the functions of the Administrator of the Wage and Hours and Public Contracts Division, effective May 23. On the following day, the Secretary issued a general order to the Department and released a public notice announcing the order.

Pertinent portions of the Secretary's public notice are quoted:

"Pursuant to the provisions of Reorganization Plan No. 6 of 1950, the Secretary of Labor has, through the issuance of a General Order, provided that effective May 24, 1950, all functions heretofore performed by or under the direction and control of the

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Information Letter Schedule

Publication of the next issue of the INFORMATION LETTER may be delayed to permit a full report on the meetings of the Board of Directors, Administrative Council, and certain Committees, and on the Building Dedication to be held in Washington next week.

Should a delayed issue become necessary and in event of developments of immediate concern to canners, information will be supplied the membership by special bulletin.

Department Status for FSA Proposed Again by President

Creation of a department whose head would be in the Cabinet—to constitute what is now the Federal Security Agency—was proposed by President Truman on May 31 in Reorganization Plan No. 27 of 1950. The Food and Drug Administration would be incorporated, under the proposal, into the new "Department of Health, Education and Security."

This plan is the second in which the President has proposed department status for the Federal Security Agency. In 1949, Congress rejected a reorganization plan aimed at creating a "Department of Welfare." The new plan, he told Congress, is designed to meet the major objections to the 1949 proposal.

The Food and Drug Administration is not mentioned directly in Reorganization Plan No. 27, but would be covered into the new department in a general transfer of "constituent agencies" of the FSA. The FDA thus would be undisturbed, except that it would be further subordinate to the over-all head of the agency of which it is a part.

Reorganization Plan No. 27 will be effective after 60 days unless disapproved by a constitutional majority of either the Senate or House (49 Senators or 218 Representatives).

Many Friends of the Industry To Take Part in Ceremonies Dedicating 1133 20th Street

Some 475 canners, other executives from the allied industries, and other friends of the canning industry will take part in ceremonies dedicating the N.C.A.'s new headquarters building in Washington on June 8.

That number of persons has accepted invitations to attend the dedication luncheon which will climax an all-day program dedicating the Association's new administrative office and research laboratory building at 1133 20th Street, N. W.

Principal dedication events June 8 will be:

Ceremonies in front of the entrance to the new building, at which keys to the new building will be turned over to President Henry P. Taylor.

Unveiling of the oil portrait of the founding Secretary, Frank E. Gorrell, in the Main Conference Room of the new building.

The dedication luncheon, in the Main Ballroom of the Hotel Mayflower.
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President Taylor Cited

N.C.A. President Henry P. Taylor is featured among "Virginians in the Public Eye" in the May issue of *The Commonwealth*, published by the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce. The article is highlighted with a biographical sketch of Mr. Taylor and concludes with a quotation from one of his recent addresses:

"In my opinion, business leadership will not begin to regain its lost place in the councils of our nation until it returns to fight its battle over again—until it patiently sits down to disentangle the true from the false in the charges made against it, points out the false and acknowledges the true, and seeks ways to correct its errors."

STATISTICS

Wholesale Distributor Stocks of Canned Foods

Summaries showing wholesale distributors' stocks and wholesaler and canner stocks of specified canned foods, compiled by the Bureau of the

Census and combining canners' stock totals supplied by the N.C.A.'s Division of Statistics, follow:

Table 1—Wholesale Distributors Stocks of Specified Canned Foods

(Includes Warehouses of Retail Food Chains)

Commodity	Total		All sizes smaller than No. 10		Institution sizes, all sizes No. 10 or larger	
	May 1, 1950	Apr. 1, 1950	May 1, 1950	Apr. 1, 1950	May 1, 1950	Apr. 1, 1950
(Thousands of actual cases)						
Vegetables:						
Beans, green and wax	3,609	3,802	2,887	3,061	722	741
Corn	6,760	7,100	6,199	6,511	561	589
Peas	5,213	*5,730	4,577	*5,048	636	*682
Tomatoes	4,449	4,947	3,740	4,235	709	712
Fruits:						
Apricots	777	819	655	680	122	139
Fruit cocktail	1,618	1,662	1,427	1,461	191	201
Peaches	4,059	4,303	3,442	3,623	617	680
Pears	1,005	1,051	817	863	188	188
Pineapple	3,441	3,822	3,087	3,413	354	409
Juices:						
Tomato	3,129	3,503	2,938	3,300	191	203
Grapefruit	1,482	1,560	1,449	1,524	33	36
Orange	1,960	2,213	1,923	2,182	37	31
Citrus blend	782	865	771	857	11	8
Pineapple	1,384	1,527	1,351	1,483	33	44

* Revised. † Includes fruits for salad and mixed fruits (except citrus). ‡ Includes vegetable juices combinations containing at least 70 percent tomato juice.

Table 2—Wholesale Distributors and Canners Stocks of Specified Canned Foods

(Includes Warehouses of Retail Food Chains)

Commodity	May 1, 1950		April 1, 1950		Mar. 1, 1950	
	Distributors	Canners	Distributors	Canners	Distributors	Canners
(Thousands of actual cases)						
Vegetables:						
Beans, green and wax	3,609	3,198	3,802	4,023	3,735	3,387
Corn	6,760	12,485	7,100	14,695	6,943	18,316
Peas	5,213	3,268	*5,730	4,678	5,618	7,293
Tomatoes	4,449	3,539	4,947	4,614	4,909	6,232
Fruits:						
Apricots	777	768	819	907	865	1,257
Fruit cocktail	1,618	4,221	1,662	5,028	1,683	5,865
Peaches	4,059	4,532	4,303	7,217	4,190	9,156
Pears	1,005	1,152	1,051	1,708	1,008	2,421
Pineapple	3,441	2,670	3,822	3,443	3,940	4,007
Juices:						
Tomato	3,129	6,835	3,503	8,061	3,351	10,271
Grapefruit	1,482	*2,703	1,560	2,459	1,563	2,338
Orange	1,960	*4,570	2,213	3,081	2,391	3,474
Citrus blend	782	*1,470	865	1,618	854	1,760
Pineapple	1,384	2,249	1,527	2,908	1,660	3,387

* Revised. † Includes fruit for salad and mixed fruits (except citrus). ‡ Includes vegetable juice combinations containing at least 70 percent tomato juice. § Canners' stocks cover Florida only; reported on No. 2 basis, not actual cases. ¶ As of April 29, 1950.

Source of canners' stocks: National Canners Association, Pineapple Growers Association of Hawaii, and Florida Canners Association.

Stocks of Dry Beans and Peas

Stocks of dry beans on May 1, 1950 totaled 13.3 million bags, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports. Of this total, less than 1,000,000 (uncleaned basis) were still on farms, while 12,400,000 bags (cleaned basis) were in commercial storage. Dry pea stocks were reported at 1,691,000 bags in commercial storage

and 195,000 bags on farms on May 1.

Stocks of pea beans and Great Northern beans amounted to over 3,000,000 bags each, and account for half the total beans of all classes in commercial storage. Pintos in commercial storage totaled 2,000,000 bags, followed in order by red kidneys at 1,200,000 bags and 1,000,000 bags of baby lima beans.

Canned Beet and Carrot Stocks and Shipments

Reports on canners' stocks and shipments of canned beets and carrots have been compiled by the Association's Division of Statistics, and complete reports have been sent to all canners packing these items.

Canned Beet Stocks and Shipments

	1948-49 (actual cases)	1949-50 (actual cases)
Carryover, July 1	222,516	64,712
Pack	4,601,651	7,922,938
Total supply	4,824,167	7,987,650
Stocks, May 1	261,708	1,544,614
Shipments, March and April	481,516	1,065,154
Shipments, July 1 to May 1	4,562,369	6,443,036

Canned Carrot Stocks and Shipments

	1948-49 (actual cases)	1949-50 (actual cases)
Carryover, July 1	67,404	718,573
Pack	2,792,813	1,663,591
Total supply	2,860,217	2,382,164
Stocks, May 1	828,183	734,510
Shipments, March and April	282,709	320,748
Shipments, July 1 to May 1	2,032,029	1,647,654

Wage-Hour Administration

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Wage and Hour Administrator, including the exercise of powers under section 9 of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended, are assigned to the Administrator and he and his duly authorized representatives are authorized to continue to perform them, subject to the general direction and control of the Secretary. The issuance of rulings and interpretations by the Administrator shall be on the advice of the Solicitor of Labor with respect to the Act and the Regulations thereunder. In his General Order the Secretary has provided that the function of preparing and submitting to the Congress the annual report of the Wage and Hour Division and the bringing of legal proceedings under the Act are reserved as functions of the Secretary of Labor. The order stipulates that:

"Except to the extent that they may be inconsistent with the provisions of this order, all rules, regulations, orders or interpretations heretofore issued by or by virtue of authority vested in the Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division pursuant to the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended, are hereby continued in full force and effect until amended, modified, or rescinded by the Secretary of Labor or the Administrator pursuant to the provisions of this order." Previous delegations of authority by the Secretary with respect to the child labor provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended, are continued in effect."

Important Meetings Scheduled

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also in the Main Conference Room of the new building.

Details of the agenda for the Board meeting are as follows, subject to possible changes:

Presiding—Henry P. Taylor, President, N.C.A.

Morning Session—Main Conference Room, New Building

1. Report of Association's financial status—Howard T. Cumming for John F. McGovern, Chairman

- (a) Budget
- (b) Income
- (c) Presentation 1949 audit

2. Report of Labeling Committee—Frank Gerber

3. Membership for foreign firms

4. Report New York State and Philadelphia Tax—H. P. Carothers, Association Counsel

5. Grocery Trade Practice Hearing—H. T. Austern, Association Counsel

6. Relationship of Association Members to Canned Food Distributors in Regard to Consumer Complaints—F. F. Heaton, Director, Claims Division

Luncheon—Blue Room, Shoreham Hotel

Afternoon Session—Blue Room, Shoreham Hotel

7. Food and Drug Hearings

- a. Pesticides—C. H. Mahoney, Director, Raw Products Bureau, N.C.A.

- b. FDA Standards on Vegetable Products—E. J. Cameron, Director, Washington Research Laboratory, N.C.A.

- c. Tuna—C. R. Carry, Director, Fishery Products Division, N.C.A.

8. Recent Administrative and Judicial Developments—Mr. Austern

9. 1951 Convention Plans—Carlos Campbell, Secretary, N.C.A.

10. Tariff Hearings—Mr. Carry

11. Retirement Program—Mr. Campbell

12. Report of Buildings Committee—W. F. Dietrich, Chairman

- a. Authorizations
- b. Eastern Subcommittee—H. J. Humphrey, Chairman

- c. Western Subcommittee—H. E. Gray, Chairman

The full schedule of Association meetings to be held next week follows:

Monday, June 5

- 1:30 p.m.—Joint meeting of Scientific Research and Washington Laboratory Committees, 2nd Floor Conference Room, New Building

- 6:30 p.m.—Buildings Committee, Dinner Meeting, North Room, Hotel Mayflower

Tuesday, June 6

- 9:30 a.m.—Budget Committee, Secretary's Office, New Building

- 10 a.m.—Washington Laboratory Committee, 2nd Floor Conference Room, New Building

- 11 a.m.—Administrative Council, Main Conference Room, New Building

- 2 p.m.—Procurement Committee, Library, New Building

- 6:30 p.m.—Labeling Committee, Dinner Meeting, North Room, Hotel Mayflower

- 7 p.m.—Association of Cannery State and Regional Secretaries, Dinner Meeting, Pan American Room, Hotel Mayflower

Wednesday, June 7

- 9:30 a.m.—Board of Directors, Main Conference Room, New Building

- 12:30 p.m.—Board Luncheon (includes Administrative Council, Committee members and State Secretaries), Blue Room, Shoreham Hotel

- 2 p.m.—Board of Directors (afternoon session)—Blue Room, Shoreham Hotel

- 5 p.m.—Cocktail Party, home of Secretary and Mrs. Carlos Campbell, 1607 S. Arlington Ridge Road, Arlington, Va.

Dedicating 1133 20th Street

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Speakers at the dedication luncheon will be Dr. Charles Glen King, Scientific Director of The Nutrition Foundation, Inc., and Albert Kennedy ("Rosie") Rowswell of Pittsburgh, well-known lecturer and broadcaster.

Details of the program follow:

- 10 a.m.—Presentation of Keys to New Building

Presiding: Henry P. Taylor, President, N.C.A.

Invocation: The Reverend Thomas A. Fraser, Rector, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Alexandria, Va.

Remarks: Harold J. Humphrey, Chairman, Eastern Building Subcommittee, N.C.A.

Remarks: W. F. Dietrich, Chairman, Buildings Committee, N.C.A.

Acceptance: Henry P. Taylor, President, N.C.A.

- 11 a.m.—Unveiling and Presentation of Portrait of Frank E. Gorrell

Presiding: Henry P. Taylor, President, N.C.A.

Introduction: W. H. Sherman, President, Association of Cannery State and Regional Secretaries

Remarks: Frank M. Shook, Representing the Association of Cannery State and Regional Secretaries

Acceptance: Carlos Campbell, Secretary, N.C.A.

- 12:30 p.m.—Cocktails, Chinese Room, Hotel Mayflower

- 1:15 p.m.—Luncheon, Main Ballroom, Hotel Mayflower

- 2 p.m.—Program

Presiding: Henry P. Taylor, President, N.C.A.

Master of Ceremonies: John F. McGovern, past-President, N.C.A.

Remarks: Fred C. Heinz, Chairman, Buildings Fund Drive, N.C.A.

Acknowledgment: Eugene A. Hildreth, President, Canning Machinery & Supplies Association

Address: Dr. Charles Glen King, Scientific Director, The Nutrition Foundation, Inc., New York, N. Y.

Address: Albert Kennedy Rowswell, Lecturer and Broadcaster, Pittsburgh, Pa.

1950 Cannery Directory Mailed This Week to Members

Mailings of the 1950 *Cannery Directory* were started this week to members of the Association, and to others who had placed advance orders for copies. Complimentary copies are being sent also to the state, regional and commodity association secretaries and to certain of the personnel of the can companies who had given assistance in compilation of the data. Special orders for members of the Canning Machinery & Supplies Association also were filled in the first mailings.

This year's *Directory* totals 248 pages, compared with 232 in the 1949 edition. The increase is accounted for by a gain in the number of advertising pages, which rose from 584 in 1949 to 74 in the 1950 issue.

The *Directory* carries its usual departments: Lists of cannerys, giving headquarters address, plants and locations and products packed in each; an over-all commodity index; listings of the membership of the Canning Machinery & Supplies Association and the National Food Brokers Association; officers, directors, committees and staff of the N.C.A.; and officers and business addresses of the state, regional and commodity cannery associations.

Work on the compilation and preparation of the publication has been continuous in the Information Division since the latter part of February, when the first data forms were sent out. The program was given a priority in an effort to bring the publication out as early in the calendar year as possible. With distribution under way on June 2, a record for early publication was established, the earliest previous issue date having been that of June 14, 1924.

LABOR

New Wage-Hour Record-Keeping Requirements Effective June 19

The Wage and Hour Division on May 20 published revised regulations prescribing the record-keeping requirements for all employers subject to the Fair Labor Standards Act. These new requirements go into effect on June 19. For the most part, the revision constitutes mere formal and editorial changes in the existing regulations, but some new provisions are included to bring the record-keeping regulations into line with the statutory changes effected by the Fair Labor Standards Amendments of 1949.

As before, all employers subject to the Act must keep the following basic records for each covered employee:

1. Name
2. Home address
3. Date of birth (if under 19)
4. Occupation
5. Time of day and day in week when workweek begins
6. Regular hourly rate of pay and basis on which wages are paid (such as hourly, daily, or weekly)
7. Hours worked each work day and total hours worked each week
8. Total daily or weekly straight-time earnings
9. Total overtime pay in excess of straight-time pay
10. Total additions to or deductions from wages for each pay period.
11. Total wages each pay period.
12. Date of payment in each pay period covered. In addition, employers must now keep for each employee a record of the amount and nature of each payment that may be excluded from his regular rate pursuant to the 1949 Amendments (see INFORMATION LETTER of December 31, 1949, page 373).

Every employer subject to the Act must post notices pertaining to the application of the Act in conspicuous places in every establishment where covered employees are employed. Every employer must also preserve for at least three years all payroll records and such certificates, agreements, plans and notices as are required by the Act. In addition, employers must keep for at least two years such supplementary records as the basic employment and earnings records of individual employees, wage rate tables, work-time schedules, order, shipping, and billing records, and records of additions to or deductions from wages paid, when these materials are used in computing an employee's weekly earnings.

With respect to employees employed pursuant to the partial overtime pay exemption for 14 weeks provided in Section 7(b)(3) of the Act, employ-

ers must maintain and preserve, in addition to the records required of all employers subject to the Act, records indicating the beginning and ending of each workweek during which the establishment operates under the exemption. Notice of the workweek chosen must also be prominently posted beside the pay window when employees are paid for such workweeks. Employers availing themselves of the 14-week total overtime pay exemption under Section 7(c) of the Act must maintain corresponding records and post the corresponding notices to employees. Special records are required for employees exempt under Section 13(a)(1) as executive, administrative, professional, local retailing or outside salesmen employees (see INFORMATION LETTER of December 31, 1949, page 372).

Completely new record-keeping requirements are prescribed for employees paid overtime under one of the three exceptions to the regular rate principle:

- (1) payment of overtime under a Belo-type guaranteed wage plan;
- (2) payment of overtime on the rate applicable to the type of work done during overtime hours; and
- (3) payment of overtime on a basic established rate (see INFORMATION

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LETTER of December 31, 1949, page 374). Employers availing themselves of these exceptions should check the new requirements to see what records are required. The regulations were published in the *Federal Register* of May 20.

STANDARDS

Grades for Applesauce

Notice is given in the *Federal Register* of May 27 that the Production and Marketing Administration, USDA, is considering the revision of United States standards for grades of canned applesauce. This would be the third revision. The proposed revision is published in that issue.

Grades for Blueberries

Notice is given in the *Federal Register* of May 25 that the Production and Marketing Administration, USDA, is considering the issuance of United States standards for blueberries for processing. The proposed standards are published in that issue.

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